

am an American," "I am an Englishman." But higher than this is the honor of being a subject of the kingdom of heaven.

2. *The Gospel brings to men comfort in their troubles.* All people have troubles, but only those who believe in Christ can be sure of comfort in them.

3. *The Gospel brings to men inheritance in the earth.* People everywhere seeking to become owners of the soil and masters of the earth. The child of God is the only one who is sure of a lasting possession.

4. *The Gospel brings to men full satisfaction.* People are thirsting, but few are satisfied. The seeker after God will obtain all that he desires.

5. *The Gospel brings to men mercy.* Some people find the world selfish and hard; but he who gives kindness obtains favor.

6. *The Gospel brings to men fellowship with God.* Those who keep their hearts pure can enjoy communion with the highest.

7. *The Gospel brings to men sonship.* People find themselves far from God; but through Christ they may receive the adoption of sons.

"Kind words are a sort of music,  
And smiles are a sort of sun,  
And they brighten the very darkest day  
That was ever in storm begun."

## The Mission Field

### MISSIONARY READING CIRCLE

#### COURSE OF READING

First Year	Cloth	Paper
1. Crisis of Missions—(Pierson.)	\$1 06	29
2. Armenian Amphitheater.		09
3. Do Not Say.		09
4. Our Country.	51	25
5. Life of Sammy Morris.		10
6. Choice Extracts—(Meyer.)		05
		87

The books, together with other literature, such as circulars giving full particulars how and why to organize and read, description of books, etc., can be had by addressing Rev. C. F. Yoder, Warsaw, Ind. Circles should be organized in every congregation.

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### IMPORTANT NOTICE

The members of the General Mission Board of the Brethren church are called to meet, in Chicago, on Thursday, January 20, 1898. It is desirable to have as full a representation of the members of the Board as possible. The place of meeting will be at the Mission, No. 384 S. Westean Ave., Chicago, Ill.

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### SECRETARY'S REPORT N. M. B.

November, 1897

#### GENERAL FUND

M. S. Harley, Allentown, Pa.,	1 00
H. M. Oberholtzer, Buckeye City, O.,	10 00
Buckeye City church, September,	65
" " " " October,	1 00
E. M. C. Grazier, Warrior's Mark, Pa.,	30
P. Firestone,	
Pernia Firestone,	
Lizzie Firestone,	
Georgia Firestone,	
R. B. Fogus,	
Mrs. M. O. Horne, Columbus, O.,	3 00
Alice Shindel, Hagerstown, Md.,	30
N. C. Nielson, Herrington, Kan.,	2 00
Kate Harley, Allentown, Pa.,	2 00
Jane Hance, Phila., Pa.,	1 00
H. E. & Myrta Keigly, Seward, Kans.,	20
Mrs. Maggie Buzzard, Kittanning, Pa.,	50
Mrs. M. A. Snader, Keller, Va.,	24
Mrs. L. B. Edwards, Fairgrove, Mo.,	10
Mary Wageman, Cleburn, Kans.,	80
O. A. Kanaurer, Pioneer, O.,	1 50
Rev. A. D. Gnagey, Ashland, O.,	1 35
Mrs. A. D. Gnagey, " "	1 22
Emma Gnagey, " "	61
Bertha Gnagey, " "	61
Mr. & Mrs. Howard Williams, Lansdale, Pa.,	61
L. R. Musselman, Allentown, Pa.,	2 00
John Moomaw, Lyndon, O.,	60
A Sister, Mt. Edna, Ind.,	2 40
J. S. C. Spickerman, Hardy, Neb.,	50
Laura Slotter, Ontario, Cal.,	30
Mrs. M. O. Horne, Columbus, O.,	5 00
Ethlyn Clark, Phila., Pa.,	20
Anna Grubb, Jennings, La.,	2 50
Sarah J. Krider, Warrior's Mark, Pa.,	1 50
Mr. & Mrs. W. H. Meyers, Nevada, Mo.,	1 00
Terra Alta church, W. Va.,	2 00
E. B. Shaver, Maurertown, Va.,	5 50
A Brother, Dayton, O.,	3 90
	2 00

#### WASHINGTON FUND

M. A. Snader, Keller, W. Va.,	10
Mary Dietz, Hudson, Iowa,	50
Miss Janiza Guy, Syracuse, Ind.,	1 00
National S. S. C. E.,	20 00
Penna. S. S. C. E.,	5 00
Johnstown Brethren church,	5 00
Geo. A. Copp, Fishers Hill, Va.,	5 00
W. V. & R. J. Wimer, Wayne, Kans.,	2 50
Washington City church,	18 12
Jacob Hazel, Goshen, Ind.,	1 00

#### CHICAGO FUND

Walter Clarke, Dowagiac, Mich.,	3 00
Maria " " "	1 00
Vernie Rice, " "	1 00
Ira E. Leedy,	35
Lavina Ozius, Centre, Mo.,	35
Susanna Summers, Goblesville, Ind.,	1 00
Mary Wageman, Cleburne, Kans.,	2 00
A Sister, Mt. Etna, Ind.,	50
Mary Dietz, Hudson, Iowa,	50
A. G., Jennings, La.,	5 00
Jacob Hazel,	1 00

#### FOREIGN FUND

Mary A. Snyder, Glovers Gap, W. Va.,	1 00
Hattie E. Powers, Phila., Pa.,	25
J. Hance, " "	05
Mrs. Maggie Buzzard, Kittanning, Pa.,	06
Mrs. M. O. Horne, Columbus, O.,	06
Vienna Detwiler, Ridgely, Md.,	5 00
Mrs. L. B. Edwards, Fairgrove, Md.,	20
Mary Wageman, Cleburne, Kans.,	1 50
O. A. Kanaurer, Pioneer, O.,	25
John Moomaw, Lynton, O.,	60

Brethren, Roanoke, Va.,  
J. S. C. Spickerman, Hardy, Neb.,

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#### EXPENDITURES

Payments previously reported,	\$ 466 70
Order No. 8, J. D. McFaden,	50 00
Amount paid direct to W. M. Lyon,	55 62
Order 9, for W. M. Lyon,	11 36
Order 10, J. D. McFaden,	50 00
Total expenses,	\$ 633 68
Total receipts,	\$ 144 37
Receipts previously reported,	582 65
Total to date,	\$ 727 02
Total expenses,	633 68
Balance on hand,	\$ 93 34

December 1897

#### GENERAL FUND

John Kurtz, Williamsport, N. D.,	50
M. V. Driscoll, Downsville, Md.,	50
Clarissa Bull, New Salem, Pa.,	2 00
Lillie C. Antram, New Salem, Pa.,	5 00
Henry Hoelflick, North Liberty, O.,	1 00
Ellen Souder, Souderton, Pa.,	60
Jane Hance, Phila., Pa.,	25
Mrs. Hattie Powers, Phila., Pa.,	25
Buckeye City church, O., Nov. collection	47
Frank Heiney, Andrews, Ind.,	2 00
J. G. Nininger, Nokesville, Va.,	65
John C. Frank, Berne, Ind.,	3 00
D. B. Weaver, Bay Mills,	50
California church, per M. Shively,	5 75
M. O. Horne, Columbus, O.,	25
Maggie Kyler, Denver, Col.,	1 00
Cash offerings of the Missionary Convention,	
Milledgeville,	31 51
J. C. Cassel, Phila., Pa.,	5 00
E. C. M. Grazier, Warrior's Mark, Pa.,	30
A Sister,	20
A Sister, California,	4 35
J. J. Peck, Eagle Centre, Iowa,	10 20
Josiah Lichty, Waterloo, Iowa,	10 00
Cora Snyder, " "	10 00
Frank McCarthy, " "	10 00
Cash, " "	1 00
Mrs. S. Shanlus, " "	1 00
Mrs. W. Schroch, " "	1 25
Cash offering at Waterloo Convention,	10 06
Lanark church, per Emma Puterbaugh,	7 70
	\$ 126 79

#### CHICAGO FUND

Henry Hoelflick, North Liberty, O.,	50
Maggie Harber, Quick City, Va.,	1 00
Mrs. Martha Armstrong, Atwood, Ind.,	1 00
Mrs. J. L. Prairie Centre Kans.,	50
C. M. Berkley, Waterloo, Iowa,	15 00
Brethren church, Bryan, O.,	9 35
Mrs. H. J. Shroch, Goshen, Ind.,	2 09
J. M. Hanawalt, Dumont, Iowa,	25
J. D. McFaden as itemized below,	\$ 260 39
	\$ 289 49

Amounts sent direct to J. D. McFaden.

Milledgeville church, 4 00; Mrs. Early, 1 00; Offering at Akron, 2 20; Offering at Burns' Chapel, 2 79; from Burns' Chapel, 7 00; Leah Sprinkle, 5 00; Josephus, 1 00; from Lent, 1 50; proceeds from sale of pictures, 2 00; J. O. Talley, 2 06; Ida Meyers, 1 59; S. H. Buzzard, 4 00; Brooklyn, 2 95; Henry Meyers, 4 00; Sadie Mohler, 2 00; Collection in hall, 2 00; Mrs. Leedy Ullery, 7 00; a sister, 2 00; a sister, soc.: receipts at lecture at Lanark, 16 51; Christian Rowland, 10 00; S. S. C. E., Pioneer, O., 2 15; Pauline Bowman, 5 25; Brother and Sister Williams, 1 00; Frank Shaffer, 2 00; Pearl Lentz, soc.; S. S. of Ripon, Cal., 4 25; receipts of lecture at Warsaw, 5 98; Owen Switzer,